MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 10(A)(1)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

December 14, 2004

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution requesting County

Manager to implement a

procedure for the

Communications Dept. to monitor media coverage

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

Robert A. Ginsburg County Attorney

RAG/bw

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Please	e note any items checked.
	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 10(A)(1)
Veto		12-14-04
Override	·	

RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION DIRECTING COUNTY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT A PROCEDURE FOR THE COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT TO MONITOR MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE COUNTY

WHEREAS, radio, television and the print media regularly produce programs and publish articles which discuss the various events, activities and policies of the County, its departments, officials and employees; and

WHEREAS, certain of these programs and articles contain inaccurate information; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Miami-Dade County should have a fair and accurate picture of the activities of the County and its officials and employees,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. The County Manager is directed to utilize the Communications Department to implement a process whereby (a) all radio and television programs relating to local government, and (b) all locally published newspapers be fully monitored so that the County administration is at all times aware of all local commentary. This monitoring shall be done in all communities and in English, Spanish and Creole.

Section 2. The process developed by the Manager shall require that in the event information that is disseminated is inaccurate, the Communications Department shall notify the affected County agency, department, or official, and then meet with the affected media outlet in an attempt to secure a prompt clarification of the inaccuracy.

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The County Manager shall report back to this Commission by the first Section 3. meeting in February, 2005 detailing the process to be implemented.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

> Joe A. Martinez, Chairman Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro

Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler

Jose "Pepe" Diaz Sally A. Heyman

Carlos A. Gimenez Barbara J. Jordan

Dorrin D. Rolle Katy Sorenson

Natacha Seijas Rebeca Sosa

Sen. Javier D. Souto

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 14th day of December, 2004. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

> MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Murray A. Greenberg

